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For: **ASSEMBLY FOR TREATING DEGENERATION OF
AN INTERVERTEBRAL DISC**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to action on the merits in the above-identified application, please amend
the claims as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins
on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper. _____